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REMARKS

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1. At 7 p.m. on 22 March 1953,                      867 air force soldiers marching to the Friedrichshoehe restaurant in Werder restricted area. In the night of 6/7 April, about 200 Soviet officers arrived in Werder. After reporting at the Soviet komendatura, they were trucked from the Soviet hotel in the restricted area to the airfield.

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                     these officers had come from the USSR and were scheduled to remain in Werder."

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2. In March and April 1953,                      armored scout cars proceeding to the komendatura in the restricted area. Subsequently, the cars drove to the airfield.

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3. There was hardly any change in the occupation of the restricted area. Building No 104 on Phoebecker Strasse was vacated by three officers in mid-March. In mid-April,                      a general                      arrived by sedan                      entering house No 18 on Bernauer Strasse.

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4. On 19 March, a Soviet officer called Pitikov (fnu) (phonetic spelling) returned to Werder. On 17 March, Major Kulikov (fnu) who had his office at No 87 Eisenbahn Strasse left for the USSR. Both officers are assigned to the central commissary at Werder."

5. At 1:45 p.m. on 16 April, a troop train of about 25 boxcars occupied by air force soldiers passed through Werder railroad station. Another 25 flatcars of the train carried sedans and trucks

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Number of Commissary	Name of Commanding Officer
1	Boldovski
2	Volevach
3	Gitua
4	Goroshkov
5	Evmenkin
9	Nashkin
11	Krushilnitski
13	Strishkov
14	Kozar
16	Chernov
17	Shurunov

Commissaries No 5 and No 12 in Wusterhausen and Rengsdorf used trucks  
of commissary No 10 used sedan [redacted] and jeep [redacted] [redacted] chief  
In mid April, commissaries were available at the following places:

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- No 1 in Pinow
- No 3 in Brandenburg and Justerbog
- No 4 in Koethen
- No 9 in Schoenwalde and Elstal
- No 10 in Finsterwalde
- No 14 in Mittelsberg
- No 12 in Puetnitz
- No 13 in Grossenhain
- No 16 in Verneuchen
- No 17 in Finsterwalde

14. In March, Lieutenant Colonel Pedyukov (fnm), chief of the supply  
commissary in Werder (BADA) used sedan [redacted]

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On  
1 April 1953, commissary No 1 established a branch shop in Neuruppin  
and commissary No 11 a branch shop in Stendel.

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16.

the Soviets intended to establish a central switch board with direct communications to all airfields in East Germany at Werder airfield. 6

Comment. The headquarters of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army is stationed in Werder airfield.

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Comment. Fitikov is a distorted version of Pedyukov, a lieutenant colonel. Major Kulikov is reported for the first time, his assignment is unknown.

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Comment. The planes observed probably were courier planes belonging to the headquarters of the Twenty-Fourth Air Army. It is doubted whether these planes were Pe-2s, because aircraft of this type has so far not been used as courier planes.

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Comment. For location of the terrain surveyed, see Annex.

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Comment. According to available information, commissaries are assigned to each division. Commissary No 1 serves the fighter division in Finow and Neuruppin. This assumption is supported by the fact that this commissary opened a branch shop in Neuruppin. The observation that commissary No 11 headed by Krushilnitski, established a branch shop in Stendal, indicates that this commissary serves one of the two ground attack divisions.

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it was inferred that the two ground attack divisions had been reorganized. The reorganization involved the transfer of one regiment from the division in Doberitz to the other division. This regiment moved to Alt Lohmewitz. In return the ground attack regiment previously stationed in Brandenburg was assigned to the division in Doberitz. At present, the two divisions involved comprise the following regiments:

Ground Attack Division in Doberitz: Regiments in Doberitz, Stendal and Brandenburg.

Ground Attack Division in Justerbog: Regiments in Reinsdorf, Brande and Alt Lohmewitz. This assignment does not agree with information contained in the present report according to which commissary No 3, headed by Gitun, which previously served the units of the previous ground attack division in Brandenburg, still maintains shops in Justerbog and Brandenburg.

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b. [REDACTED] Comment. The information on the establishment of a central switch board in Werder with direct connections to all occupied airfields in East Germany is credible. The establishment of this switch board is probably connected with the build-up of a special communication network. [REDACTED]

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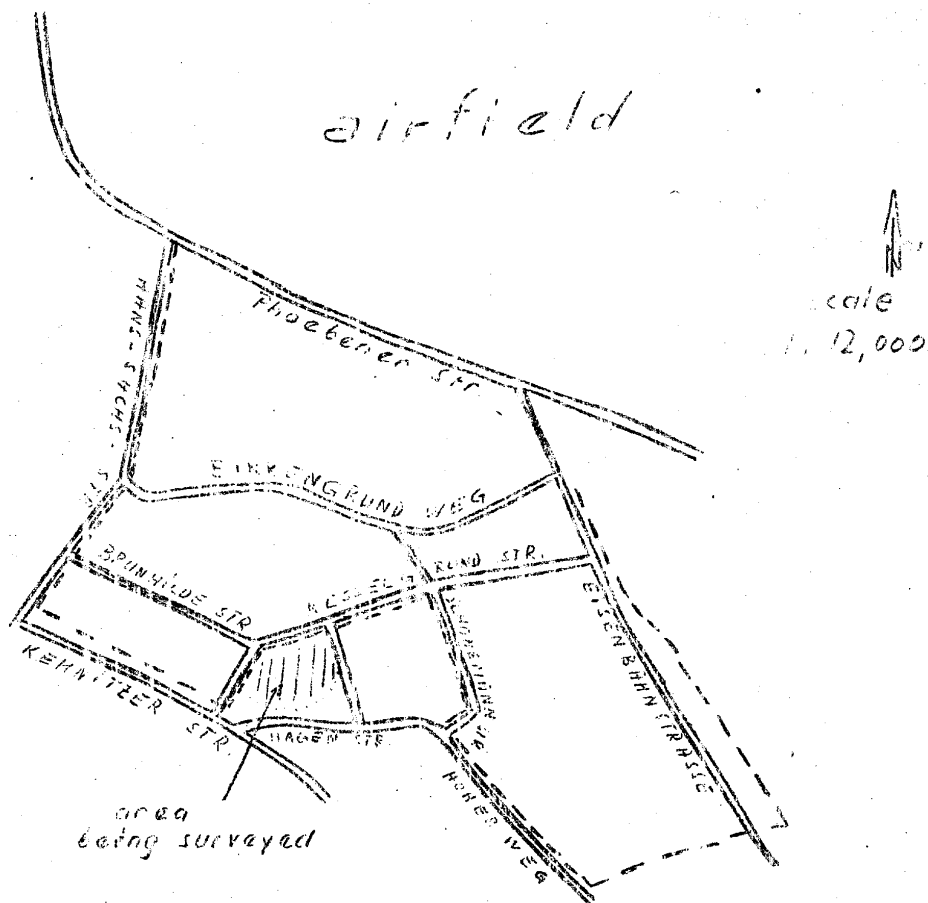
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Surveying Observed in Heider Restricted Area



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